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## **Lebanon VAMC does not Solicit Donations from Individuals**

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LEBANON, Pa. – Officials at Lebanon VA Medical Center are reminding the community that the medical center will never solicit donations from individuals at off-site locations or via phone.

Lebanon VA Medical Center has received numerous reports of individuals claiming to represent the medical center soliciting money by phone or in front of local businesses. Individuals observing any potential fraudulent activities should contact their local police department.

“We appreciate the generous community support Veterans at Lebanon VA Medical Center receive through our Voluntary Service department,” said Margaret G. Wilson, acting medical center director. “I am disappointed to receive reports of local individuals attempting to take advantage of the public’s trust of our medical center and the Veterans we serve. Individuals should always ask questions before providing donations to any Veteran-related cause to verify it is legitimate, and notify local law enforcement of potential fraudulent activities.”

Voluntary Service is the only authorized entity to receive donations at Lebanon VAMC. Entities looking to make donations or volunteer to support morale, welfare and recreation activities at the center should contact Voluntary Service at (717) 228-6123.

The Lebanon VA Medical Center is one of 168 medical centers in the nation with the sole purpose of providing world-class medical care to America’s veterans. If you are veteran, you may be eligible to receive care and benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. To learn more, call 717-228-6000.

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